HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. _____

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Whereas, The Milken National Educator Award is the nation's largest teacher recognition program;

Whereas, This award was developed by the Milken Family Foundation to attract the highest quality kindergarten through 12th grade teachers to the teaching profession and to reward and retain them;

Whereas, Forty-two states participate in the Milken National Educator Awards:

Whereas, Milken educators are selected by an independent blue ribbon committee appointed by the Department of Education from each of the 42 participating states;

Whereas, This selection committee recommends the candidates directly to the Milken Family Foundation; there is no nomination or application procedure involved in this award;

Whereas, To be nominated by the selection committee, the candidates must meet the following criteria: possess exceptional educational talent as evidenced by outstanding instructional practices in the classroom, school, and profession; make outstanding educational accomplishments beyond the classroom; have strong long-range potential for professional and policy leadership; and have an engaging and inspiring presence that motivates and impacts students,



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colleagues, and the community;

Whereas, Jeff Rudkin fulfills all these requirements;

Whereas, Jeff Rudkin teaches seventh and eighth grade social studies at Lora L. Batchelor Middle School in Bloomington;

Whereas, Jeff Rudkin is an innovative teacher whose leading edge techniques have helped his students develop research skills and generate an excitement for learning that will last throughout their lives;

Whereas, Jeff Rudkin created and developed an elective video and media production program known as B-TV (Batchelor Television) that allows students to create documentaries, weekly newscasts, public service announcements, and filmed interpretations of classic literature, and his students have received over 100 state, national, and international awards;

Whereas, Jeff Rudkin was one of nine teachers selected to be an Indiana University Armstrong Teacher Educator and was selected to teach a session on student media projects at the 2007 National School Board Association Spring Conference;

Whereas, In addition to his duties at Lora L. Batchelor Middle School, Jeff Rudkin is a member of the steering committee for the Association for Educational Communications and Technology International Student Media Festival and is on the board of directors for the Community Access Television Services Library Channel; and

Whereas, Outstanding teachers such as Jeff Rudkin form the cornerstone of our educational system and should be recognized for the contributions they make toward improving the lives of countless generations of Hoosiers: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

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l	SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates Jeff
2	Rudkin for winning the Milken National Educator Award and thanks
3	him for all his efforts on behalf of the school children of the state of
1	Indiana.
5	SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
6	Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Jeff Rudkin,
7	Principal Paul White, and Superintendent James Harvey.



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